AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A ~~lubricating oil composition capable of maintaining its friction reducing properties~~ method for lubricating an engine so as to maintain the reduction of friction for a prolonged time under the conditions of use in ~~an~~ the engine comprising lubricating said engine with a lubricating oil composition comprising a lubricating base oil and ~~additives consisting essentially of:~~

(a) sulfoxymolybdenum dithiocarbamate containing a hydrocarbon group having 8 to 18 carbon atoms,

(b) a zinc dialkyldithiophosphate component selected from the group consisting of:

(i) zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing primary alkyl groups having 1 to 18 carbon atoms,

(ii) a mixture of zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing primary ~~alkly~~ alkyl groups having 1 to 18 carbon atoms and zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing secondary alkyl groups having 3 to 18 carbon atoms,

(iii) zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing ~~a~~ primary alkyl ~~group~~ groups containing 1 to 18 carbon atoms, and one secondary alkyl group containing 3 to 18 carbons

(iv) mixtures thereof,

(c) an alkylsalicylate component comprising a mixture of magnesium alkyl-salicylate and calcium alkylsalicylate, wherein the magnesium alkylsalicylate does not exceed 50% by weight of said alkylsalicylate component.

wherein the amount of molybdenum derived from the sulfoxymolybdenum dithiocarbamate ~~being~~ is from 200 to 1000 ppm (weight basis) of the total weight of the composition,

the amount of phosphorous derived from the zinc dialkyldithiophosphate component ~~being~~ is from 0.04 to 0.15% by weight of the total weight of the composition and

the total amount of the alkylsalicylate component ~~being~~ is from 0.5 to 10% by weight of the total weight of the composition.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended) A ~~lubricating oil composition capable of maintaining its friction reducing properties~~ method for lubricating an engine so as to maintain the reduction of friction for a prolonged time under conditions of use in ~~an~~ the engine comprising lubricating said engine with a lubricating oil composition comprising a lubricating base oil and:

(a) sulfoxymolybdenum dithiocarbamate containing a hydrocarbon group having 8 to 18 atoms,

(b) a zinc dialkyldithiophosphate component selected from the group consisting of:

(i) zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing primary alkyl groups having 1 to 18 carbon atoms,

(ii) a mixture of zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing primary ~~alkly~~ alkyl groups having 1 to 18 carbon atoms and zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing secondary alkyl groups having 3 to 18 carbon atoms,

(iii) zinc dialkyldithiophosphate containing ~~a~~ primary alkyl ~~group~~ groups containing 1 to 18 carbon atoms, and one secondary alkyl group containing 3 to 18 carbons

(iv) mixtures thereof,

(c) an alkylsalicylate component comprising a mixture of magnesium alkylsalicylate and calcium alkylsalicylate, wherein the magnesium alkylsalicylate does not exceed 50% by weight of said alkylsalicylate component.

(d) succinimide containing boron

wherein the amount of molybdenum derived from the sulfoxymolybdenum dithiocarbamate ~~being~~ is from 200 to 1000 ppm (weight basis) of the total weight of the composition,

the amount of phosphorous derived from the zinc dialkyldithiophosphate component ~~being~~ is from 0.04 to 0.15% by weight of the total weight of the composition and

the total amount of the alkylsalicylate component ~~being~~ is from 0.5 to 10% by weight of the total weight of the composition.

the amount of boron derived from the succinimide containing boron ~~being~~ is from 0.005 to 0.06% by weight of the total weight of the composition, and the boron/nitrogen ratio regarding the number of atoms contained in the succinimide contained boron is from 0.05 to 1.5.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) The ~~lubricating oil composition~~ method of claim 1 or 2 wherein the lubricating base oil is a hydrocracked oil and/or a wax isomerized oil containing 3% by weight or less aromatics, a sulfur content of 50 ppm or less and a nitrogen content of 50 ppm or less.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) The ~~lubricating oil composition~~ method of claim 1 or 2 wherein the primary or secondary alkyl group of the zinc dialkyldithiophosphate contains 3 to 12 carbon atoms.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) The ~~lubricating oil composition~~ method of claim 1 or 2 ~~having~~ wherein the lubricating oil composition has a total base number of 3 to 10.